

**CHESTERFIELD COUNTY COUNCIL
REGULAR MEETING
COUNTY COUNCIL MULTI-PURPOSE BUILDING
April 2, 20149:00 A.M.**

PRESENT: Chairman J. Matthew Rivers, Vice-Chair Lenora V. Powe, Council Members: Kenneth A. Johnson, G. Franklin Plyler, Bruce E. Rivers, Robert G. Cole, Gerald L. Miller, Douglas A. Curtis and Crawford Moore.

OTHERS PRESENT: Denise Douglass – Administrator; Susie Boswell – Clerk to Council; Michelle Stanley – Finance Director; C. Heath Ruffner – County Attorney; Lisa Gainey – Human Resource Director; Jerry Gaskins – Paws & Claws; Glenn Gullede and Carolyn M. DeBerry. There were others attending the meeting who did not sign the sign-in-sheet.

CALL TO ORDER AND PRAYER

Chairman J. Matthew Rivers welcomed everyone and Council Member Gerald L. Miller opened the meeting with prayer.

SPECIAL RECOGNITION:

Staff has implemented a Service Recognition Program that is designed to honor the County's Employees. The program will recognize years of service beginning at five years and following in five year increments.

Administrator Douglass advised that instead of doing the recognition monthly, that it will be done on a quarterly basis so it will correspond with the Employee Appreciation Luncheon.

The following employees were recognized and presented with their Certificate:

<u>Employee</u>	<u>Department</u>	<u>Hire Date</u>	<u># of Years</u>
Dana Tarlton	E911	1/09/04	10 years
Tracy Spencer	Magistrate's	2/18/09	5 years
Scott Griffin	Sheriff	3/02/09	5 years
David Rainwater	Sheriff	3/02/09	5 years
Richard Gaddy	Road	3/29/04	10 years

ADOPTION OF AGENDA

Council Member Johnson made a motion to adopt the April 2, 2014 meeting agenda with any amendments approved by Council. Council Member Miller seconded the motion. Voting in favor of the motion was unanimous.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

March 5, 2014 – Regular Meeting

Council Member Curtis stated there was an oversight typo on Page 3 under the bid award for the DSS Building. He stated the vote had him voting in the negative and Council Member Miller voting in the positive and it should have him voting in the positive and Council Member Miller voting in the negative. Council Member Johnson made a motion to approve the March 5, 2014 Regular Meeting Minutes with approved changes. Council Member Miller seconded the motion. Voting in favor of the motion was unanimous.

SIGNING OF BONDS, PAYROLL, AND AUTHORIZATIONS

None

APPOINTMENTS

- a. Kip Kiser
Did not attend.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

None

PUBLIC HEARINGS

a. Wal-Mart FILOT Ordinance – Public Hearing

Council Member Curtis made a motion to open public hearing. Council Member Bruce E. Rivers seconded the motion. Voting in favor of the motion was unanimous. There were no oral comments from the public made nor were any written comments received.

Council Member Bruce E. Rivers made a motion to close public hearing. Vice-Chair Powe seconded the motion. Voting in favor of the motion was unanimous.

ORDINANCE READINGS AND RESOLUTIONS

a. Wal-Mart FILOT Agreement Ordinance – 3rd Reading

Council Member Bruce E. Rivers made a motion to pass 3rd Reading. Council Member Miller seconded the motion. Voting in favor of the motion was unanimous. Motion passed.

b. 2014-2015 Alligator RFD Budget Ordinance – 1st Reading

Council Member Plyler made a motion to pass 1st Reading. Council Member Cole seconded the motion. Voting in favor of the motion was unanimous. Motion passed.

c. 2014-2015 Cash RFD Budget Ordinance – 1st Reading

Vice-Chair Powe made a motion to pass 1st Reading. Council Member Cole seconded the motion. Voting in favor of the motion was unanimous. Motion passed.

d. 2014-2015 Harris Creek RFD Budget Ordinance – 1st Reading

Council Member Plyler made a motion to pass 1st Reading. Council Member Cole seconded the motion. Voting in favor of the motion was unanimous. Motion passed.

e. 2014-2015 General Fund Budget Ordinance – 1st Reading

Council Member Powe made a motion to pass 1st Reading. Council Member Moore seconded the motion. Voting in favor of the motion were Council Members Plyler; Cole, Vice-Chair Powe, Bruce E. Rivers, Miller, Johnson and Moore. Voting against the motion was Council Member Curtis. Motion passed.

STANDING COMMITTEE REPORTS

11 (a-1) ROAD COMMITTEE

Committee Chair Powe & Crawford Moore, District 8 Representative

Vice-Chair Lenora Powe advised that she had talked with Tim Eubanks regarding Goodman Creek Sub-division and that they decided to put some crush and run on the roads. She stated that she had also been contacted by Sammy Copeland in regards to the situation with the Goodman Creek Sub-division and he informed that he had put in for 2,000 tons of rock, which will be enough to cover the entire sub-division and some left over for some of the other problem roads. Once this is approved, it will then have to go out for bid. This project (if approved) will take several months before it can be completed.

Council Member Crawford Moore

Stated that he had rode out there after the meeting before last and drove around and there was a really low spot and he thought Mr. Copeland was talking about putting 1000 tons down where it would fill that part of the subdivision that would build the road up enough where he thought it would drain off because right now its absorbed the drainage and once they put that in there it will build it up enough where it want absorb the water like it was. It's a problem and I'm glad we are able to take care of it.

ITEMS SUBMITTED BY COUNCIL

12(a) RECONSIDERATION OF VOTE PREVIOUSLY TAKEN (ANIMAL SHELTER LOCATION:

Chairman Rivers

Advised that this was a reconsideration of a previous Motion, a vote on the Animal Shelter to make a final declaration about where the Animal Shelter is going.

Council Member Plyler

Stated that Council had previously voted to place the Animal Shelter on Highway #9 but he felt after reconsideration, that it would be best to locate the shelter across from where it is now, across from the Detention Center.

Council Member Plyler made a motion to reconsider the motion of a vote on the location of the new Animal Shelter. After some discussion, Council Member Curtis seconded the motion. Voting in favor of the motion was unanimous. Motion passed.

12(b) ANIMAL SHELTER LOCATION

Council Member Plyler made a motion to locate new Animal Shelter on the North side of the Detention Center. Council Member Moore seconded the motion. Voting in favor of the motion was unanimous. Motion passed.

ITEMS SUBMITTED BY STAFF

Equipment RFP Awards – Administrator Douglass

None

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

NEW BUSINESS

None

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Council Member Johnson

Stated that he would like to appoint Adam Foard to the CCEDB.

Council Member Plyler

None

Council Member Moore

None

Council Member Cole

None

Council Member Bruce E. Rivers

None

Council Member Curtis

None

Council Member Miller:

Stated that he would like to appoint Gerald Baker to the Chesco Board.

Council Vice-Chair Powe

Stated that she thought the Planning Retreat went very well and she thought that most departments stated they need more money. Also advised that if the minimum wage was going up, it was her recommendation that Council give each employee \$1.50 an hour increase to compensate. Introduced Kim Harrington as the new Editor for Pageland Progressive Journal.

Council Chair J. Matthew Rivers

Stated he shared the Vice-Chair's sentiments regarding the Planning Retreat.

Administrator Denise Douglass

Appreciation Luncheon today.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Chairman J. Matthew Rivers recommended Council enter into Executive Session in accordance with S.C. Law, Section 30-40-70 of the S.C. Code of Laws to discuss a Legal Matter – Tax Issue.

Council Member Plyler made a motion to enter Executive Session. Council Member Johnson seconded the motion. Voting in favor of the motion was unanimous.

Council Member Curtis made a motion to exit Executive Session. Council Member Powe seconded the motion. Voting in favor of the motion was unanimous.

REGULAR SESSION


Chairman J. Matthew Rivers reported Council is back in regular session. No action was taken and no motions were made in Executive Session.

Council Member Johnson made a motion as to the sole issue which Council discussed and on that matter only and solely to that issue they would go back one calendar year for this sole issue as they do with residential property.


ADJOURN

Council Member Johnson made a motion to adjourn. Council Member Powe seconded the motion. Voting in favor of the motion was unanimous.

APPROVED:


J. Matthew Rivers, Chairman
Date: May 7, 2014

ATTEST:


Susie Boswell, Clerk to Council